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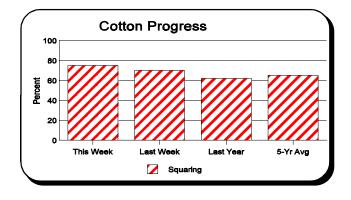
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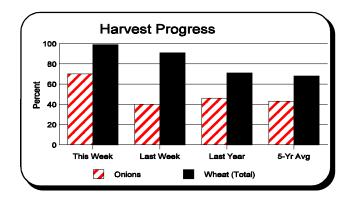
CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 2, 2000

NEW MEXICO: Despite general rains statewide, more are still needed to relieve the drought conditions in areas of the State. But as one reporter said, "Green is a pretty color when it's in a pasture". There were 4.9 days suitable for field work. Harvesting, irrigating, cultivating, and weed control were the main farm activities during the week. Onions were in mostly good condition with 70% of the crop harvested. Chile condition improved during the week and is reported to have mostly an average pod set. The wheat crop was virtually complete by week's end. Alfalfa was in mostly good to excellent condition. The second cutting was 85% complete and the third cutting was progressing well across the southern part of the State. Cotton was in mostly fair to excellent condition with 75% squaring. Ranchers have been able to cut back on supplemental feeding and hauling water to livestock. Both cattle and sheep conditions improved marginally during the week. Pasture and range feed conditions were improved to 14% very poor, 36% poor, 37% fair, and 13% good.

CROP PROGRESS PERCENTAGES WITH COMPARISONS

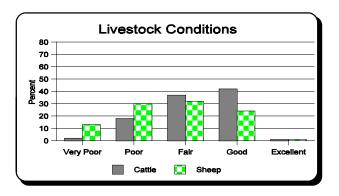
CROP PROGRESS	5	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
SQUARING	Cotton	75	70	62	65
HARVESTED	Onions	70	40	46	43
	Wheat (Total)	99	91	71	68



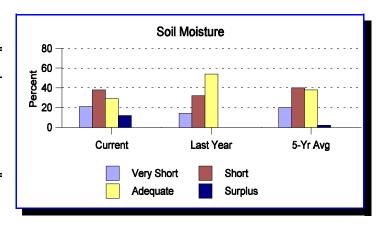


CROP AND	LIVESTOCK	CONDITION	PERCENTAGES

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Alfalfa	-	5	30	52	13
Apples			80	20	
Chile		2	20	40	38
Corn			17	69	14
Cotton		5	35	47	13
Onions			10	70	20
Peanuts			50	50	
Pecans			_	90	10
Sorghum(Total)	16	8	68	6	2
Wheat (Total)	43	19	24	14	
Cattle	2	18	37	42	1
Sheep	13	30	32	24	1



SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTAGES Very Short Adequate Surplus Short Northwest 47 50 3 ---Northeast 11 40 49 22 Southwest 23 30 25 12 32 23 Southeast 33 State 21 38 29 12 State-Last Year 14 32 54 State-5-Yr Avg 20 40 38



WEATHER SUMMARY

A steady supply of moisture combined with some atmospheric disturbances resulted in widespread convective precipitation during the week. All but one station received at least a trace of precipitation. The rain cooled air resulted in temperatures a few degrees below normal at most locations.

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS JUNE 26-JULY 2, 2000

	Temperature			Precipitation				
				06/26	07/01	Normal	01/01	Normal
Station	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	07/02	07/02	July	07/02	Jan-Jul
Carlsbad	81.1	100	66	0.26	0.00	1.79	2.57	5.74
Hobbs	77.6	94	64			2.51	2.71	8.65
Roswell	77.4	97	64	2.82	2.15	1.71	4.77	5.96
Clayton	68.7	91	56			2.70	4.66	9.00
Clovis	73.4	97	62	0.78	0.00	2.56	5.37	9.57
Roy	64.2	85	48	2.35	2.35	2.97	4.80	9.03
Tucumcari	74.9	97	63	0.79	0.00	3.30	4.90	8.57
Chama	62.8	82	45	1.07	0.01	2.24	8.47	11.08
Johnson Ranch	68.4	88	49	Т	0.00	1.66	4.23	5.43
Capulin	64.4	85	49	1.00	0.11	3.25	5.87	10.52
Las Vegas	65.0	86	52	0.49	0.19	3.31	5.33	9.07
Los Alamos	62.9	74	51			3.25	3.59	9.66
Raton	65.5	89	46	3.95	1.00	2.66	8.26	9.82
Santa Fe	66.4	91	47	0.72	0.13	2.38	2.93	7.64
Red River	57.9	78	39	0.98	0.06	3.01	10.46	11.93
Farmington	76.1	94	57	Т	0.00	0.94	3.04	4.31
Gallup	72.1	93	47	0.16	0.00	1.91	2.62	6.10
Grants	69.0	90	47	0.18	0.00	1.76	2.53	4.79
Silver City	70.7	91	56	4.13	0.00	2.65	5.11	7.55
Quemado	67.1	85	47	0.11	0.00	2.13	3.64	5.03
Albuquerque	75.6	93	61	0.48	0.00	1.37	2.72	4.42
Carrizozo	70.7	90	58	0.84	0.07	2.05	3.74	5.55
Gran Quivera	69.3	89	54	0.21	0.00	2.81	5.71	7.52
Moriarty	69.5	95	50	0.61	0.01	2.38	4.03	6.37
Ruidoso	62.8	83	50	2.63	0.24	4.02	7.03	10.99
Socorro	71.8	92	57	0.02			3.03	3.94
Alamogordo	76.7	93	63	0.72	0.00	2.23	1.35	5.51
Animas	74.9	99	62	1.86	0.00	2.26	2.63	4.74
Deming	75.7	98	60	2.59	0.00	2.15	3.48	4.43
T or C	75.1	94	61	2.48	0.20	1.86	4.44	4.44
Las Cruces	77.1	98	62	1.60	0.01	1.36	2.88	3.63

(T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction

All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official observation forms.

2000 JUNE ACREAGE

NEW MEXICO: Winter wheat planted acreage is estimated at 470,000 acres, 6 percent above the previous year; however, harvested acreage is only 165,000, down 39% from last year. The extremely dry winter and spring resulted in much of the dryland acreage remaining unharvested. **Grain sorghum** plantings are estimated at 150,000 acres, unchanged from last year. Harvested acreage for grain is 135,000 acres, also unchanged from 1999. **Corn** acreage, at 135,000 acres, is down 10% from last year. Acreage for grain is expected to decrease to 75,000 acres, 8,000 below last year. Acreage planted to **peanuts** in 2000 is estimated at 22,000 acres, unchanged from 1999. **Upland cotton** planted acreage is expected to increase 6,000 acres, to 90,000; however, **American-Pima** acreage is expected to decrease 20 percent to 6,000, the lowest acreage in recent history. **All hay** acreage is projected to be 380,000 acres, unchanged from 1999. **Alfalfa** acreage is forecast at 290,000 acres and **other hay** acreage is forecast at 90,000 acres.

UNITED STATES: <u>Corn</u> planted for all purposes is estimated at 79.6 million acres, up 3 percent from last year. Growers expect to harvest 73.1 million acres for grain, up 4 percent from 1999. <u>Upland cotton</u> is expected to total 15.4 million acres, up 5 percent from 1999. Growers planted 202,000 acres of <u>American-Pima cotton</u>. This is a 30 percent decrease from last year's acreage. The vast majority of the reduction in acreage is being shifted to upland cotton. Acreage planted to <u>peanuts</u> in 2000 is estimated at 1.50 million acres, down 3 percent from 1999 plantings and down 2 percent from the 1998 level. Area for harvest is estimated at 1.47 million acres, up 2 percent from last year. <u>Winter wheat</u> area harvested for grain is now expected to total 35.4 million acres, up 2 percent from the June 1 forecast, but down less than 1 percent from the 1999 acreage for grain. This is the smallest area for grain since 1972. Planted area is slightly above the previous estimate, but still down fractionally from 1999. The 2000 planted area for <u>sorghum</u> is estimated at 8.81 million acres for all purposes. This is down 5 percent from 1999 and represents the lowest acreage planted on record. <u>Hay</u> producers expect to harvest 62.2 million acres of hay in 2000, down 2 percent from the 63.2 million acres harvested the previous year. <u>Alfalfa</u> and alfalfa mixtures are estimated at 23.8 million acres, down 1 percent from last year. <u>All other hay</u> is estimated at 38.4 million acres, down 2 percent from last year.

2000 June Crop Acreage Summary, New Mexico and United States, With Comparison

Cron	Acres Planted For All Purposes			Acres Harvested ^{1/}				
Crop	1999	20002/	2000 as %	1999	2000 ^{2/}	2000 as %		
	1,00	00 Acres	Percent	1,000 Acres		Percent		
			NEW I	MEXICO	MEXICO			
Winter Wheat	445	470	106	270	165	61		
Sorghum	150	150	100	135	135	100		
Corn	150	135	90	83	75	90		
Alfalfa Hay				290	290	100		
Other Hay				90	90	100		
Upland Cotton	84.0	90.0	107	79.0	4/			
A-P Cotton	7.5	6.0	80	7.0	4/			
Peanuts	22.0	22.0	100	22.0	22.0	100		
Potatoes, Summer	4.3	3.3	77	4.3	3.3	77		
Dry Edible Beans	1.0	5/		1.0	5/			
			UNITED	STATES				
Winter Wheat	43,431 ^{3/}	43,349 ^{3/}	100	35,572	35,401	100		
Sorghum	9,288	8,805	95	8,544	8,110	95		
Corn	77,431	79,579	103	70,537	73,088	104		
Alfalfa Hay				23,985	23,767	99		
Other Hay				39,175	38,414	98		
Upland Cotton	14,584.0	15,350.0	105	13,138.0	4/			
A-P Cotton	289.5	202.0	70	286.9	4/			
Peanuts	1,534.5	1,495.0	97	1,436.0	1,467.5	102		
Potatoes, Summer	68.8	64.8	94	63.9	62.7	98		
Dry Edible Beans	2,023.0	1,767.0	87	1,877.0	1,652.5	88		

¹/Harvested for principal use of each crop, i.e., grain, nuts, etc. ²/Forecasted. ³/Includes area planted in preceding fall. ⁴/2000 estimates to be released August 12, 2000. ⁵/Estimates discontinued in 2000.

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GRAIN STOCKS

Corn stocks in all positions on June 1, 2000 totaled 3.59 billion bushels, down 1 percent from June 1, 1999. Of the total stocks, 2.03 billion bushels were stored on farms, down 10 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 1.56 billion bushels, were up 15 percent from a year ago. **All wheat** stored in all positions on June 1, 2000 totaled 950 million bushels, up slightly from a year ago. This is the largest June 1 stocks level since the 1987-88 market year. On-farm stocks are estimated at 227 million bushels, down 18 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 723 million bushels, are up 8 percent from a year ago. The indicated March - May 2000 quarter disappearance is 465 million bushels, down 8 percent from the same period in 1999. **Grain sorghum** stored in all positions on June 1, 2000 totaled 127.0 million bushels, up 9 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 99.7 million bushels, are up 12 percent from last year and account for 79 percent of the total stocks. On-farm stocks, at 27.3 million bushels, are down less than 1 percent from last year. The March - May 2000 quarter disappearance from all positions is 98.7 million bushels, down 8 percent from last year.

U.S. Grain Stocks, By Position and Month, 1999-2000

		1999			2000			
Date	On Farms	Off Farms ^{1/}	Total All Positions	On Farms	Off Farms ^{1/}	Total All Positions		
\ <u></u>			1,000 Bus	shels				
			COI	RN				
Mar 1	3,570,000	2,128,428	5,698,428	3,300,000	2,301,958	5,601,958		
Jun 1	2,257,000	1,359,225	3,616,225	2,029,800	1,557,112	3,586,912		
Sep 1	797,000	989,977	1,786,977					
Dec 1	5,180,000	2,844,701	8,024,701					
			SORG	HUM				
Mar 1	60,900	161,536	222,436	51,700	173,932	225,632		
Jun 1	27,400	88,680	116,080	27,300	99,682	126,982		
Sep 1	13,800	51,363	65,163					
Dec 1	89,300	259,137	348,437					
	ALL WHEAT							
Mar 1	471,220	979,191	1,450,411	423,180	992,115	1,415,295		
Jun 1	277,710	668,208	945,918	226,780	723,293	950,073		
Sep 1	888,060	1,556,983	2,445,043					
Dec 1	648,800	1,236,811	1,885,611					

¹/Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.